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STATEMENT OF JUNE 30, 1917

Resources
 Loans and discounts \$12,030,650.00
 Overdrafts 235.41
 U. S. bonds (par) 1,500,000.00
 State of Alabama bonds 127,000.00
 Stock in Fed. Reserve Bk. 50,000.00
 Other stocks and bonds 1,392,803.50
 Liberty bonds 2,087,017.33
 Banking house 401,717.77
 Other real estate 112,201.95

In vault \$1,251,194.02
 With banks 3,225,337.00
 With U. S. T. 82,000.00
 With Fed. R. 5,409,178.02
Total \$21,341,606.34

Liabilities
 Capital stock \$1,500,000.00
 Surplus and profits 1,619,422.95
 Reserved for taxes 20,749.29
 Circulation 1,400,000.00

Deposits
 Individual \$14,550,476.73
 Bank 2,087,017.33
 U. S. 125,000.00
Total \$21,341,606.34

TODAY'S EVENTS

At the Theatres
 Lyric: Keith vaudeville. Matinee at 3 o'clock. Night performances 7:30 and 9 o'clock.
 Bijou: Superior vaudeville and feature pictures. Continuous performances, 2 to 11 p. m.

STATE REUNION OF CONFEDERATE VETS MAY BE HELD HERE

General Hooper and Committee to Make Selection of Next Place of Meeting of Veterans

The final selection for the place of holding the next state reunion of Confederate veterans will be made on Wednesday and the Civic association is very optimistic that the reunion will be held here. General Hooper has been extended a most cordial invitation to come to Birmingham, as the original plans to hold the reunion in Montgomery were called off because of the crowded conditions there, due to camp conditions.

Letters were dispatched to all the organizations that have co-operated with the Civic association in the past in civic work, asking them to write to General Hooper and use their influence to bring the reunion here. The invitation asked that the date for the reunion be moved forward until the fair week and promised that the veterans would be given a special day at the fair and that everything would be seen to for them.

The reunion of county veterans will be held at East Lake park on September 15. A banquet dinner will be served and all the veterans and their friends are asked to attend. In the afternoon there will be speaking and some patriotic exercises.

Seeks Not Money But Chance to Earn

To the Editor of The Age-Herald:
 In answer to the appeal made in your paper, asking for a chance to go straight by being given a suspended sentence, I am receiving many replies. Some are sending in money. Where I know the address, I am returning same, but in today's mail came a letter (inclosed) containing \$1.

While I appreciate the spirit in which this money is sent, won't you tell your readers just how impossible it is for me to accept same and ask them please not to send any more.

What I am asking for is that those who are willing, I should be given a suspended sentence, as explained in my letter in your paper of Thursday, August 23, express their willingness by a few lines to me.

What I am asking for is a fighting chance to make good by going out into the world and earning the money to make my living and pay back the money spent in the case.

Accepting money without earning it would be the worst thing I could do, as it would have a tendency to make me not realize the importance of being self dependent, and no matter how kindly meant, would do me more harm than good.

But if instead of sending funds those who read will help me to get my chance and then see that I do as I say, they will be a great help to me, and I hope I will be a help to others.

You can see why I cannot keep any money sent me, and as I do not know to whom the \$1 should go, I am sending same to you and be used for the penny war fund, or any good cause you see fit. Sincerely yours,

G. ROY SALESBURY,
 Care County Jail, Birmingham, Ala., August 27, 1917.

Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday in the probate court as follows:
 Forest L. Kent of Montgomery to Miss Carrie Rainey.

Charles R. Vaughn of Montgomery to Miss Alice Rainey.

G. R. Gershart of New York to Miss Laura Olin.

Therodore Bailey of Ensley to Miss Vera Miles.

Stewart Harr of Bessemer to Miss Thelma Scoggins.

C. R. Wright of Jasper to Miss Sallie Nelson Norrell.

J. C. Brown of Birmingham to Miss Lydia Hallman.

Gordon W. Smith of Birmingham to Miss Bessie Womach.

August H. Nordwick of Alexander to Miss Edith Hendrixson.

James J. Robinson of Birmingham to Miss Mary Robinson.

J. W. Neally of Birmingham to Miss Minnie Hyde.

Florence Hotel
 2d Ave. and 18th St.

Thoroughly remodeled and newly furnished. Absolutely modern. Excellent cafe. Rates: Rooms without bath \$1.00 per day. Rooms with private bath \$1.50 per day. Whitman's garage in connection with hotel.

400 MEN NOTIFIED BY GREEN CARD OF FORMAL SELECTION

Must Hold Themselves in Readiness to Report on Twenty-Four Hours' Notice

Four hundred Birmingham men are today receiving their "green cards"—and that means that they have been selected for military duty and must hold themselves ready for duty within 24 hours after a call from their local board.

These cards are only a notification of the recipient's selection for military duty, and a statement of the limitations that must be thrown around him until the "pink card" is received, this latter card being the one that calls upon the man to report to the local board ready to go where assigned.

There will be a special class held by the local boards on the twenty-second floor of the Jefferson County Bank building today for those men who have not as yet reported in answer to their call for examination.

The district board has passed upon the 400 men who have been notified to hold themselves in readiness for service, and certified them back to the local boards, from which they were appealed.

The following is the form card sent out:

"You are hereby notified that you have been selected for military service as a part of the quota from local board (Insert designation by stamp). You will therefore hold yourself in readiness to report for military duty at the office of this local board at a time to be specified by notice posted at the office of this board in the near future. Notice will also be mailed you, but the posting of notice at the office of the board will charge you with the obligation to report. From the date so specified for you to report you will be in the military service of the United States and subject to military law.

"While as much time as possible will be allowed you, you are hereby cautioned that the necessities of the service may require you to be called on very short notice. You should therefore put your affairs in order to report upon 24 hours' notice."

MARKETING OF CROPS CAMPAIGN STARTED

Prominent Speakers to Make Second Tour Spreading Food Conservation Data

Today the Birmingham food preparedness bureau will send out the first committee engaged in touring the towns and cities invaded in the spring by the bureau, spreading the gospel of food production and conservation. This second campaign is different. The crops have been made, the question is to tell the people how to market them, and that is what the committee which leaves this morning for Childersburg, Wilsonville and Montevallo will do.

The first committee of speakers is composed of Chauncey Smith, special agent of the Southern Bell Telephone company; M. T. King, marketing agent of the Southern Express company, and Emmett A. Jones, former chief of the bureau of markets and immigration at Montgomery. These men will give practical advice as how to ship, pack and market surplus farm products. On Wednesday the speakers will address audiences at Columbiana, Shelby and Calera.

PRESS COUNCIL TO GIVE LUNCHEON

Suffrage Affair Friday Will Be in Honor of Mrs. J. T. Slatter and Mrs. H. O. Moore

The press and publicity council of the local equal suffrage association will give a luncheon at the Southern club at 1 o'clock Friday, to which all members of the local association are invited. The luncheon is in honor of Mrs. J. T. Slatter of Columbus, Miss., former chairman of the local council, and Mrs. H. O. Moore, also a former chairman of the council, who is about to remove from the city.

Reservations for the luncheon must be made with Mrs. Roy Sterne by Thursday noon, telephone Main 5755.

BOARD OF TRADE TO AID MOVEMENT

W. J. Adams, president of the Board of Trade, has named E. B. Irwin chairman and J. D. Rosenberger and J. N. Rose as associates on a committee to co-operate with other civic organizations in a movement paying tribute to Birmingham soldier boys when they leave for the front.

The committee will immediately take steps to get in line with the other committees named by other organizations, and some tentative plans will soon be formulated.

YOUNG BOY MISSING

Thomas Resha, 7 years old, son of Sam Resha, 2008 Morris avenue, was lost yesterday afternoon about 4 o'clock, he having disappeared from the Resha home, 1601 Avenue G, corner of Sixteenth street.

Anyone who can give the worried father any information about his boy should call him at his address. The boy had only been in the city for a few days, and it is believed that he became bewildered by his new surroundings and strayed away.

PERSONAL

Charles B. Ryan of New York, general passenger agent of the Seaboard Air Line, is registered at the Tutwiler. He is accompanied by his charming daughter, Miss Mildred Ryan.

Capt. Charles Hunt Brown, officers' reserve corps, arrived in Birmingham Monday morning to spend two days with his cousins, Fulton B. Clark and Lucien C. Brown. He is ordered to Camp Gordon at Atlanta for duty on the 26th. Captain Brown will be remembered as "Coach" Brown, who had charge of athletics at Birmingham college.

Barrett Mass Meeting for Next Friday Night

First Barrett Club Formed at East Lake Mass Meeting Held Last Night—Will Attend Friday Night's Meeting in a Body

Dr. N. A. Barrett's neighbors and friends at East Lake showed their interest in his campaign for president of the city commission at a mass meeting last night, at which the first Barrett club in the city was formally launched.

At the meeting it was also announced that a great Barrett mass meeting is to be held at the Jefferson theatre Friday night to be attended by the friends and supporters of Dr. Barrett from all parts of the city.

The East Lake Barrett club will meet at the courthouse prior to Friday night's meeting and will march to the theatre between 600 and 650 strong.

It is understood that the meeting next Friday has been planned on a scale which will show the vigor of the support Dr. Barrett is to receive from all parts of the greater city. Some of the best known speakers in town will be on hand and will also give opportunity to introduce Dr. Barrett formally to a Birmingham audience. Dr. Barrett served as East Lake's first and last mayor, but the present campaign is his first experience in a campaign covering the entire city.

At last night's meeting in East Lake the following officers were elected: F. E. Felts, president; L. C. Browning, vice president, and Robert Morris, secretary.

SAYS CITY'S RIGHTS ARE NOT BEING PROTECTED

To the Editor of The Age-Herald:

The franchise granted the old and late deceased E. E. & B. is on account of recent litigation and transactions connected therewith, voidable to the city.

This is expressly provided for in the franchise itself, and the supreme court in rendering its decision on the opinion of the public utility commissions that the transfer to the Birmingham Railway, Light and Power company was not inconsistent with public good, expressly invited the city to bring this suit to recover this franchise and any other interests it may have in this transfer. See 74, SO. pg. 33.

In order to void this franchise to the city, the city must file a formal action declaring said franchise void for the reasons stated, and then take the necessary steps to sustain that declaration in the courts of proper jurisdiction. I charge that the city commission has done neither of these two necessary things to recover this valuable franchise to the city, and unless it does do both, their neglect, after sufficient time has passed, will be grounds for the Birmingham Railway, Light and Power company to claim that the city has consented to their title to all that that franchise originally conveyed. While the president of the commission, who has jurisdiction and control over the legal department of the city, sleeps, by and with the consent of his conferees on the commission, one of the most valuable assets of this city is being lost to its future estate. A suit ought to be brought at once in a court of proper jurisdiction to forfeit this franchise to the city. This matter bids fair to become an important issue in the pending election for the president of the commission and for the associate members.

A. J. DICKINSON,
 Birmingham, August 27, 1917.

FREIGHT RATE CASE BEFORE COMMISSION

Civic Association to Assist Meridian Board of Trade in Important Case

The Birmingham Civic association received a letter yesterday from the attorney general, calling attention to the importance of the case of the Meridian Board of Trade against Alabama railroads. The letter states that if Meridian wins this case it will result in a loss of millions of dollars annually to Alabama shippers and merchants, and urges that the association do everything in its power to combat the case.

The Board of Trade of Meridian contends that merchandise can be shipped from one point in Alabama to another at a lower cost than it can be shipped an equal distance from a point in Alabama to a point in Mississippi. This case, it is said, is very similar to the case of Shreveport, where it was decided that the rates between such points must be equalized, and the intrastate rates were raised to the level of the interstate. If this case is decided against Alabama, the rates will be raised to a level of the rates from Alabama to Mississippi, if the precedent is followed.

The case will come up before the railroad commission soon, and every effort will be taken to have it denied. The Civic association has enlisted the assistance of every other organization in Birmingham to assist the case, and a strong delegation will probably attend the hearings.

IMPORTANT CAPTURE BY LOCAL DETECTIVES

Negro Accused of Serious Offenses Is Held at City Jail for Investigation

Walter Hardey, alias Will Jackson, alias Walter Evans, a negro, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Detectives Goad and Mackie on charges of burglary, grand larceny and murder. He was arrested on First avenue and had been staying at 422 Fifteenth street, north.

According to the detectives there is every indication that Hardey is the negro who killed a Mr. Jones, merchant, at Hanceville, on August 9. He has been identified by J. W. Brown of White City as the slayer of Mr. Jones, who was shot in his store by a burglar. According to Detective Mackie, the same kind of gun with which Jones was killed was found in the negro's room here. Hardey confessed that he was the person who entered the Ferguson millinery store here a few days ago and he has been identified as the negro who was arrested on the morning of June 1 by Sergeant Moreland of the police department and escaped the same day through the courtroom.

POLICE NOTES

The automobile of Dr. L. C. Noble of Pensacola, Fla., was stolen from Third avenue between Nineteenth and Twentieth streets at about 10 o'clock last night, according to a report made to police headquarters last night. Officers are searching for the missing car.

Detective Lyons arrested Viola Porter of 711 North Nineteenth street yesterday. It is alleged that she passed two checks which were worthless. Following the arrest she was taken to the city jail.

Gabe Jones, wanted for murder in Mississippi, was arrested by Special Officers J. J. Melly and J. E. Jones yesterday. Jones is being held in the city jail. It is expected that authorities will arrive to carry him back to Mississippi in a few days.

"In war or peace I want my POST TOASTIES every day"
 SAYS Bobby

END OF WAR IN SIGHT, STATES J. R. McWANE

Overwhelming Odds Against Germans Too Big for Hope of Victory

That the European war will soon be over is the opinion of J. R. McWane, president of the American Cast Iron Pipe company, who has recently returned from New York. He stated that the odds against Germany are so great that the people will realize the hopelessness of victory and that they will voluntarily end the conflict.

"I am very optimistic that the war will soon end," said Mr. McWane. "Having just returned from New York and found that the prevailing sentiment among the men high in financial circles is that the war could not continue much longer. Since the United States has entered the conflict, the odds against the Germans have become so hopelessly great that the general opinion is that the Germans will have sense enough to voluntarily end it."

"I was also surprised and pleased to find the active interest the wealthiest people are taking and the real work they are doing. I found everywhere men worth any amount busily engaged in some kind of government work, and those who were not doing regular government work were helping the soldiers or the Red Cross or some patriotic organization. The whole north is permeated with a most excellent spirit that promises well indeed for the outcome of the war."

PYTHIAN PICNIC AT EAST LAKE PARK

Plans are rapidly being completed for the mammoth Pythian picnic which will be given at East Lake next Thursday, when all of the Pythian lodges in the district combine for the day's outing and amusements.

Water contests, athletic features, games and various kinds of amusements will be sanctioned in throughout the day and every step taken to make the day one of complete pleasure. There will be a band concert, with dancing in the evening at Tokio. The "Dokkeys" will have charge of the dance, and it goes without saying that they will have a great time.

There will be more than 5000 Pythians in the district to attend the picnic, and a great country dinner will be served on the ground. Every family will bring their basket well filled. T. P. Patterson is chairman of the general committee, and H. F. Beaumont is secretary. This committee has several sub-committees at work throughout the district, and they are getting results.

COMMITTEE MAKES TENTATIVE PLANS FOR LABOR DAY PARADE

The largest celebration ever held in the south will be given on Labor Day, when all labor organizations of all kinds and not affiliated will participate in the parade and exercises, according to an announcement given out yesterday by members of the committee of ways and means from the Birmingham Trades Council. An old-time barbecue will be given at East Lake, where barbecued meats will be served in abundance, the committee reports.

At the park various kinds of sports for old and young are to be arranged, and it is expected that a great day will be spent. The parade will begin at 11 o'clock and it is expected that visiting members of all organizations will participate.

On Labor Day last year the local organizations had a big celebration and the splendid parade is still remembered.

Belgians at West Point

West Point, N. Y., August 27.—The members of the Belgian war mission visited the Military academy today. They witnessed a special parade of the corps of cadets and were escorted to the principal points of interest at the post. The party had luncheon in the officers' mess and returned to New York at the conclusion of the review.

KIWANIS WILL AID MOVEMENT TO MAKE TRIP TO ANNISTON

Trainload of "Hospitality Boosters" Will Make the Trip to Meet Officers and Men

Putting its best foot forth to aid the Real Estate Exchange, and to show the city building co-operation that is ever prevalent with this organization, the Kiwanis club has started a movement to put on a special train to Anniston to be known as a recruiting train for a day, taking a special coach for every civic organization in Birmingham. The train will be solid carloads of boosters only.

It is the idea of the clubs to go to Anniston about 200 strong, in a body that will fairly ooze hospitality around the camps of the officers of Camp McClellan. The party would take in the camp site in a body and tell the officers that Birmingham—big, busy Birmingham—wanted them to drop in whenever they found it convenient to spend the day or evening, or to have their families in Birmingham if Anniston finds herself overcrowded and run over to the Magic City for the week-end.

The publicity committee of the Real Estate exchange in charge of the handsome booklet invitation to be sent to the officers, report that they will be ready to mail them in a few days. An active movement is to be started for a computation rate, soon, that will make it profitable to shop in Birmingham, or spend the day on pleasure.

The Real Estate exchange started the Anniston movement, and its suggestions have been taken up by the various clubs of the city, the Rotary, Kiwanis, Civic association, Chamber of Commerce and others. The culmination of the idea will result in much publicity for Birmingham and increase the transient trade immensely.

"SAMMIE"

To the Editor of The Age-Herald:

Despite the tragic and more or less violent protests that have been made in different quarters against the nickname of "Sammie" for our brave soldier boys, the name seems to stick, and for the reason that it is such an appropriate nickname for our boys after all.

The English soldier has long been known as "Tommy," and surely the English soldier is a manly fellow, and has lost nothing in dignity from having been so named. Why, then, should our boys fear being called "Sammie"? The truth is that the French, a people of fine tact and discrimination, intended a compliment to our boys in thus naming them "Sammie." Sam is a man of parts himself, and the French people evidently wished to imply that every American soldier as "Sammie" was a diminutive "Uncle Sam."

Also they wished to express their affection for their American brethren who had come across the seas to rescue their cherished land from the Teuton scourge. There is a fine lot of hospitality and good feeling expressed in "Sammie" as applied by our French cousins to our soldiers, and I do not see how it could be improved on. No better nickname has been suggested as yet, at any rate.

R. A. LOVE,
 Birmingham, August 27, 1917.

Submarine Captain "Opened Wine" for His Captives From America

An Atlantic Port, August 27.—Capt. Cyrus W. Crooks, master of the bark Christiane, which was sunk by a German submarine August 7, near the Azores, was entertained as a guest on board the U-boat and over a glass of wine was told by the German commander that he "hated to sink American ships." Captain Crooks related the incident on arrival here today on board an Italian liner.

The American captain said he was bound home from London when his ship was sunk. Not being armed, he surrendered to the U-boat.

"We left the Christianse in two lifeboats," said Captain Crooks, "and I was invited by the U-boat captain, in excellent English, to bring three of my men and come aboard. We were taken into the officers' cabin and after giving me a receipt stating my ship had been sunk, the commander ordered luncheon served, including wine."

"He kept up an interesting conversation while we were eating and more than once declared he hated to sink American vessels and only did so because we were at war with his country."

"Another thing that appeared to worry him were stories he had heard of sinking of lifeboats by submarines. 'I really can't believe these stories,' said, 'and so far as I am concerned, no lifeboat will ever meet such a fate from my ship.'"

"We spent two hours on the submarine when the Germans rescued from the Christianse all her supplies and sunk her with bombs. The captain then escorted us to our lifeboats, gave us the direction of nearest land and bid us a courteous good-by. The submarine was about 400 feet long and carried two 6-inch guns. The name signed to the receipt I have is Capt. J. Erlinger, German navy. We landed safely at Ponta Delgada."

All Cadets Are Assigned At Fort Oglethorpe

Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., August 27.—With all cadets at the August officer's training camp assigned and placed in various formations today, actual work of the "rookies" will begin tomorrow. Fifteen hundred men were received at Camp Warden McLean from southern states today and equipped for routine work. The following regular army officers have been assigned as instructors at the camp: Maj. T. M. Anderson, seventh infantry, senior instructor; Maj. Ben P. Nicklin, Capt. W. E. Hobson, Capt. J. B. Ord, Capt. E. G. Bueret, Capt. J. A. Sarratt, Capt. Isaac Spalling, Capt. R. S. Jomil, Capt. O. O. Ellis, Capt. R. T. Taylor, Capt. Ralph A. Jones, Capt. Gordon R. Catts.

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Amusements

At the Lyric

Lyric patrons were well pleased with the diversified programme given them last night in the ice-cooled theatre. "The Miracle" was the headline attraction and was fully as entertaining and as wonderful as described in advance notices.

"The Master Mind of Mystery," assisted by "His Tribby," gave a demonstration of musical telepathy. Going about in the audience he was told in a whisper the name of songs, classical and popular, and immediately the pianist played the selections and sang them. All the songs were well played and sung and the act was a most entertaining one.

Clark and Lavier, the eccentric comedy couple, was the outstanding feature of the other acts and was popular with the audience. The act was of a country cousin's visit to the city swell. Song and lively dancing, followed by selections on accordions, were all well applauded. Eddie Gerand and Jessie Gardner, in their farcical hit, "Dooly and the Diamond," was featured by the humorous dancing and singing of Dooly.

Maude Ryan kept the audience in suspense as to what she would do next and gave a feature of fancy costumes, exceedingly well rendered, a performance of amusing tricks.

The Pathé news showed the Russian mission inspecting divisions of the American troops and other war scenes.

At Loew's Bijou

A bill of unusual quality is the offering at Loew's Bijou for the first half of the week. The performance is one of the most entertaining seen at the popular playhouse in several weeks, as three of the acts are big time numbers.

Charles Hoey and Harry Lee carried off the premier honors as entertainers last night. Both are excellent character impersonators and their parodies of popular songs are clever. Their vehicle, "The Nomie," is very amusing and some clever comedy is presented.

A special feature, which proved very entertaining as well as instructive, was a strong dramatic sketch, "The Evil Hour." The company of three, headed by Harry English, is talented and a good moral lesson is presented. The act is out of the ordinary and holds the interest from the start.

Homer and Dubard are pleasing singers with a catchy line of comedy. Bill Pruitt, a genuine Oklahoma cowboy, offers a treat with its song numbers, exceedingly well rendered.

Mable Naylor and her educated birds show rare training and the act holds a real treat for youngsters. It is one of the best of its kind.

The feature play with Ella Hall in "The Charmer," is immensely entertaining. Loew's weekly news pictures and Mable and Jeff comedy reels are also shown.

The bill on the whole is a stellar attraction and well worthy of most liberal patronage.

At the Majestic

The large crowd at the Majestic last night attested their enjoyment of the excellent bill offered by frequent and liberal applause. The Majestic has been completely renovated and is under entirely new management and a policy of clean shows has been adopted. The ventilation of the theatre is good and excellent music is offered.

The picture shown this week is a Bluebird feature, "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray." An all-star cast is shown and the film is on the same high plane as all Bluebird plays.